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**CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND FEE
AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3)**

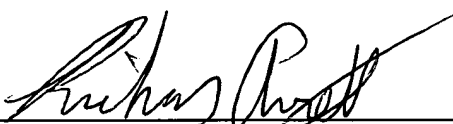
Applicant hereby requests that the United States Patent and Trademark Office treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time pursuant to §1.136 for its timely submission as incorporating therein a petition for an extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Applicant authorizes the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to charge all required extension of time fees that have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

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